

HOUSE BILL No. 1699

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Citations Affected: IC 10-13; IC 12-13; IC 12-14; IC 31-9; IC 31-33; IC 31-34; IC 31-37; IC 31-39.

Synopsis: Child abuse reporting. Allows the state police to conduct a name based criminal history check of persons who reside or who are expected to reside in a location where a child will be placed by the division of family and children or a court if exigent circumstances prevent the state police from conducting a fingerprint based criminal history check. Requires the state police to verify the name based criminal history check through fingerprint identification, and permits a person who believes that the results of the name based criminal history check are incorrect to challenge the results by submitting the person's fingerprints. Removes a provision authorizing the division of family and children or a juvenile probation officer to directly conduct a criminal history check, requiring instead that the juvenile probation officer or division of family and children caseworker request that the state police conduct the criminal history check. Specifies that the division of family and children, a county office of family and children, a local child protective service, a local child fatality review team, or the statewide child fatality review committee must provide a court, upon request, all records concerning the death of a child that may have been the result of abuse, abandonment, or neglect, and the court shall redact the records to exclude certain identifying information. Requires a local child fatality review team and the statewide child fatality review committee to review records concerning a child whose death may have been the result of abuse or neglect. Specifies that a child's death may have been the result of abuse or neglect if: (1) an investigation by the division of family and children makes this determination; or (2) charges filed by the prosecuting attorney would cause a reasonable person to believe that the child's death may have been the result of abuse or neglect.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning criminal law and procedure.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

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1	SECTION 1. IC 10-13-3-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
2	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 6. (a) As used in this
3	chapter, "criminal justice agency" means any agency or department of
4	any level of government whose principal function is:
5	(1) the apprehension, prosecution, adjudication, incarceration,

- (1) the apprehension, prosecution, adjudication, incarceration, probation, rehabilitation, or representation of criminal offenders;
- (2) the location of parents with child support obligations under 42 U.S.C. 653;
 - (3) the licensing and regulating of riverboat gambling operations;
 - (4) the licensing and regulating of pari-mutuel horse racing operations.
- (b) The term includes the following:
 - (1) The office of the attorney general.
 - (2) The Medicaid fraud control unit, for the purpose of investigating offenses involving Medicaid.
- 17 (3) A nongovernmental entity that performs as its principal



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3	rehabilitation of criminal offenders;	
4	(B) location of parents with child support obligations under 42	
5	U.S.C. 653;	
6	(C) licensing and regulating of riverboat gambling operations;	
7	or	
8	(D) licensing and regulating of pari-mutuel horse racing	
9	operations;	
10	under a contract with an agency or department of any level of	1
11	government.	
12	(4) The division of family and children or a juvenile probation	
13	officer conducting a criminal history check (as defined in	
14	IC 31-9-2-29.7) under IC 12-14-25.5-3, IC 31-34, or IC 31-37 to	
15	determine the appropriateness of an out-of-home placement for a:	
16	(A) child at imminent risk of placement;	4
17	(B) child in need of services; or	-
18	(C) delinquent child.	
19	SECTION 2. IC 10-13-3-7.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE	
20	AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY	
21	1, 2005]: Sec. 7.5. As used in this chapter, "emergency placement"	
22	means an emergency out-of-home placement of a child by the	ı
23	division of family and children or a court as a result of the sudden	
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1	organization or individual;	
2	(2) has applied for a license and criminal history data as required	
3	by law to be provided in connection with the license;	
4	(3) is a candidate for public office or a public official;	
5	(4) is in the process of being apprehended by a law enforcement	
6	agency;	
7	(5) is placed under arrest for the alleged commission of a crime;	
8	(6) has charged that the subject's rights have been abused	
9	repeatedly by criminal justice agencies;	
.0	(7) is the subject of a judicial decision or determination with	
.1	respect to the setting of bond, plea bargaining, sentencing, or	
2	probation;	
.3	(8) has volunteered services that involve contact with, care of, or	
.4	supervision over a child who is being placed, matched, or	
.5	monitored by a social services agency or a nonprofit corporation;	
.6	(9) is currently residing or expected to reside in a location	
.7	designated by the division of family and children or by a	
. 8	juvenile court as the out-of-home placement for a child at the	
9	time the child will reside in the location;	
20	(9) (10) has volunteered services at a public school (as defined in	
21	IC 20-10.1-1-2) or nonpublic school (as defined in	
22	IC 20-10.1-1-3) that involve contact with, care of, or supervision	
23	over a student enrolled in the school;	
24	(10) (11) is being investigated for welfare fraud by an investigator	
2.5	of the division of family and children or a county office of family	
26	and children;	
27	(11) (12) is being sought by the parent locator service of the child	
28	support bureau of the division of family and children;	
29	(12) (13) is or was required to register as a sex and violent	
30	offender under IC 5-2-12; or	
51	(13) (14) has been convicted of any of the following:	
32	(A) Rape (IC 35-42-4-1), if the victim is less than eighteen	
33	(18) years of age.	
34	(B) Criminal deviate conduct (IC 35-42-4-2), if the victim is	
35	less than eighteen (18) years of age.	
66	(C) Child molesting (IC 35-42-4-3).	
37	(D) Child exploitation (IC 35-42-4-4(b)).	
8	(E) Possession of child pornography (IC 35-42-4-4(c)).	
39	(F) Vicarious sexual gratification (IC 35-42-4-5).	
10	(G) Child solicitation (IC 35-42-4-6).	
1	(H) Child seduction (IC 35-42-4-7).	
12	(I) Sexual misconduct with a minor as a felony (IC 35-42-4-9)	



1	(J) Incest (IC 35-46-1-3), if the victim is less than eighteen
2	(18) years of age.
3	However, limited criminal history information obtained from the
4	National Crime Information Center may not be released under this
5	section except to the extent permitted by the Attorney General of the
6	United States.
7	(b) A law enforcement agency shall allow inspection of a limited
8	criminal history by and release a limited criminal history to the
9	following noncriminal justice organizations:
10	(1) Federally chartered or insured banking institutions.
11	(2) Officials of state and local government for any of the
12	following purposes:
13	(A) Employment with a state or local governmental entity.
14	(B) Licensing.
15	(3) Segments of the securities industry identified under 15 U.S.C.
16	78q(f)(2).
17	(c) Any person who uses limited criminal history for any purpose
18	not specified under this section commits a Class A misdemeanor.
19	SECTION 5. IC 10-13-3-27.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
20	CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
21	[EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 27.5. (a) If:
22	(1) exigent circumstances require the emergency placement of
23	a child; and
24	(2) the department will be unable to obtain criminal history
25	information from the National Crime Information Center
26	before the emergency placement is scheduled to occur;
27	upon request of the division of family and children, a caseworker,
28	or a juvenile probation officer, the department may conduct a
29	national name based criminal history record check of each
30	individual who is currently residing or expected to reside in the
31	location designated as the out-of-home placement at the time the
32	child will reside in the location.
33	(b) Not later than seventy-two (72) hours after the division of
34	family and children, the caseworker, or the juvenile probation
35	officer receives the results of the national name based criminal
36	history record check, the division of family and children, the
37	caseworker, or the juvenile probation officer shall provide the
38	department with a complete set of fingerprints for each individual
39	who is currently residing or expected to reside in the location
40	designated as the out-of-home placement at the time the child will
41	be placed in the location. The department shall:
42	(1) use fingerprint identification to positively identify each



1	individual who is currently residing or expected to reside in
2	the location designated as the out-of-home placement at the
3	time the child will reside in the location; or
4	(2) submit the fingerprints to the Federal Bureau of
5	Investigation not later than fifteen (15) days after the date on
6	which the national name based criminal history record check
7	was conducted.
8	The child shall be removed from the location designated as the
9	out-of-home placement if an individual who is currently residing
10	or expected to reside in the location designated as the out-of-home
11	placement at the time the child will reside in the location fails to
12	provide a complete set of fingerprints to the division of family and
13	children, the caseworker, or the juvenile probation officer.
14	(c) If an out-of-home placement is denied as the result of a
15	national name based criminal history record check, an individual
16	who is currently residing or expected to reside in the location
17	designated as the out-of-home placement at the time the child will
18	reside in the location may contest the denial by submitting to the
19	division of family and children, the caseworker, or the juvenile
20	probation officer:
21	(1) a complete set of the individual's fingerprints; and
22	(2) written authorization permitting the division of family and
23	children, the caseworker, or the juvenile probation officer to
24	forward the fingerprints to the department for submission to
25	the Federal Bureau of Investigation;
26	not later than five (5) days after the out-of-home placement is
27	denied.
28	(d) The:
29	(1) department; and
30	(2) Federal Bureau of Investigation;
31	may charge a reasonable fee for processing a national name based
32	criminal history record check.
33	SECTION 6. IC 12-13-15-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
34	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 6. (a) A child fatality
35	review consists of determining:
36	(1) whether similar future deaths could be prevented; and
37	(2) agencies or resources that should be involved to adequately
38	prevent future deaths of children.
39	(b) In conducting the child fatality review under subsection (a),
40	the local child fatality review team shall review every record
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(1) the division of family and children;

1	(2) a county office of family and children; or
2	(3) a local child protection service.
3	SECTION 7. IC 12-13-15.1-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
4	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 7. (a) A child fatality
5	review conducted by the statewide child fatality review committee
6	under this chapter must consist of determining:
7	(1) whether similar future deaths could be prevented; and
8	(2) agencies or resources that should be involved to adequately
9	prevent future deaths of children.
10	(b) In conducting the child fatality review under subsection (a),
11	the statewide child fatality review committee shall review every
12	record concerning the deceased child that is held by:
13	(1) the division of family and children;
14	(2) a county office of family and children;
15	(3) a local child protection service; or
16	(4) a local child fatality review team.
17	SECTION 8. IC 12-14-25.5-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
18	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 3. (a) Family
19	preservation services may provide:
20	(1) comprehensive, coordinated, flexible, and accessible services;
21	(2) intervention as early as possible with emphasis on establishing
22	a safe and nurturing environment;
23	(3) services to families who have members placed in care settings
24	outside the nuclear family; and
25	(4) planning options for temporary placement outside the family
26	if it would endanger the child to remain in the home.
27	(b) Unless authorized by a juvenile court, family preservation
28	services may not include a temporary out-of-home placement if a
29	person who:
30	(1) is currently residing in the location designated as the
31	out-of-home placement; or
32	(2) in the reasonable belief of family preservation services is
33	expected to be residing in the location designated as the
34	out-of-home placement during the time the child at imminent risk
35	of placement would be placed in the location;
36	has committed an act resulting in a substantiated report of child abuse
37	or neglect or has a juvenile adjudication or a conviction for a felony
38	listed in IC 12-17.4-4-11.
39	(c) Before placing a child at imminent risk of placement in a
40	temporary out-of-home placement, the county office of family and
41	children shall conduct a criminal history check (as defined in
42	IC 31-9-2-29.7) IC 31-9-2-22.5) for each person described in



1	subsection (b)(1) and (b)(2). However, the county office of family and
2	children is not required to conduct a criminal history check under this
3	section if the temporary out-of-home placement is made to an entity or
4	facility that is not a residence (as defined in IC 3-5-2-42.5) or that is
5	licensed by the state.
6	SECTION 9. IC 31-9-2-22.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
7	AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
8	1, 2005]: Sec. 22.5. "Conduct a criminal history check", for
9	purposes of IC 12-14-25.5, IC 31-33, IC 31-34, IC 31-37, and
0	IC 31-39-2-13.5, means to:
1	(1) request the state police department to:
2	(A) release or allow inspection of a limited criminal history
3	concerning a person who is currently residing or expected
4	to reside in a location designated by the division of family
5	and children or by a juvenile court as the out-of-home
6	placement for a child at the time the child will reside in the
7	location; or
.8	(B) conduct a national name based criminal history record
9	check (as defined in IC 10-13-3-12.5) of a person described
20	in clause (A) if the department will be unable to obtain
21	limited criminal history information from the National
22	Crime Information Center before the out-of-home
23	placement occurs; and
24	(2) collect each:
25	(A) substantiated report of child abuse or neglect reported
26	in a jurisdiction where a probation officer, a caseworker,
27	or the division of family and children has reason to believe
28	that a person described in subdivision (1)(A) resided; and
29	(B) adjudication for a delinquent act described in
0	IC 31-37-1-2 reported in a jurisdiction where a probation
31	officer, a caseworker, or the division of family and children
32	has reason to believe a person described in subdivision
33	(1)(A) resided.
34	SECTION 10. IC 31-33-18-1.5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
55	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 1.5. (a) This section
66	applies to records created at any time that are held by:
37	(1) the division of family and children;
8	(2) a county office of family and children;
19	(3) a local child protection service;
10	(4) a local child fatality review team established under
1	IC 12-13-15; or
12	(5) the statewide child fatality review committee established



1	under IC 12-13-15.1-6;
2	regarding the death of a child determined to be a whose death may
3	have been the result of abuse, abandonment, or neglect.
4	(b) For purposes of subsection (a), a child's death may have
5	been the result of abuse, abandonment, or neglect if:
6	(1) an entity described in subsection (a) determines that the
7	child's death is the result of abuse, abandonment, or neglect;
8	or
9	(2) a prosecuting attorney files:
10	(A) an indictment or information; or
11	(B) a complaint alleging the commission of a delinquent
12	act;
13	that, if proven, would cause a reasonable person to believe
14	that the child's death may have been the result of abuse,
15	abandonment, or neglect.
16	Upon the request of any person, or upon its own motion, the court
17	exercising juvenile jurisdiction in the county in which the child's
18	death occurred shall determine whether the allegations contained
19	in the indictment, information, or complaint, if proven, would
20	cause a reasonable person to believe that the child's death may
21	have been the result of abuse, abandonment, or neglect.
22	(b) (c) As used in this section, "identifying information" means
23	information that identifies an individual, including an individual's:
24	(1) name, address, date of birth, occupation, place of employment,
25	employer identification number, mother's maiden name, Social
26	Security number, or any identification number issued by a
27	governmental entity;
28	(2) unique biometric data, including the individual's fingerprint,
29	voice print, or retina or iris image;
30	(3) unique electronic identification number, address, or routing
31	code;
32	(4) telecommunication identifying information; or
33	(5) telecommunication access device, including a card, a plate, a
34	code, a telephone number, an account number, a personal
35	identification number, an electronic serial number, a mobile
36	identification number, or another telecommunications service or
37	device or means of account access.
38	(c) (d) Unless information in a record is otherwise confidential
39	under state or federal law, a record described in subsection (a) that has
40	been redacted in accordance with this section is not confidential and

may be disclosed to any person who requests the record. The person

requesting the record may be required to pay the reasonable expenses



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1	of copying the record.
2	(d) (e) When a person requests a record described in subsection (a)
3	concerning a child, the entity having control of the record shall
4	immediately transmit a copy of the record all records concerning the
5	child that are held by the entity to the court exercising juvenile
6	jurisdiction in the county in which the death of the child occurred.
7	However, if the court requests that the entity having control of a record
8	transmit the original record, the entity shall transmit the original record.
9	(e) (f) Upon receipt of the record described in subsection (a), the
10	court shall, within thirty (30) days, redact the record to exclude
11	identifying information of a person or other information not relevant to
12	establishing the facts and circumstances leading to the death of the
13	child. However, the court shall not redact the record to exclude:
14	(1) information that relates to an employee of the division of
15	family and children;
16	(2) information that relates to an employee of a county office of
17	family and children; or
18	(3) information that relates to an employee of a local child
19	protection service; or
20	(4) the name, address, and telephone number of the:
21	(A) child's parents; and
22	(B) person having custody of the child at the time of the
23	child's death.
24	(f) (g) The court shall disclose the record redacted in accordance
25	with subsection (e) (f) to any person who requests the record, if the
26	person has paid:
27	(1) to the entity having control of the record, the reasonable
28	expenses of copying under IC 5-14-3-8; and
29	(2) to the court, the reasonable expenses of copying the record.
30	(g) (h) The court's determination under subsection (e) (f) that certain
31	identifying information or other information is not relevant to
32	establishing the facts and circumstances leading to the death of a child
33	is not admissible in a criminal proceeding or civil action.
34	SECTION 11. IC 31-34-4-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
35	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 2. (a) If a child alleged
36	to be a child in need of services is taken into custody under an order of
37	the court under this chapter, the court shall consider placing the child
38	with a suitable and willing blood or adoptive relative caretaker,
39	including a grandparent, an aunt, an uncle, or an adult sibling, before
40	considering any other out-of-home placement.
41	(b) Before placing a child in need of services with a blood relative

(b) Before placing a child in need of services with a blood relative or an adoptive relative caretaker, the court may order the division of



1	family and children to:
2	(1) complete a home study of the relative's home; and
3	(2) provide the court with a placement recommendation.
4	(c) Except as provided in subsection (e), before placing a child in
5	need of services in an out-of-home placement, including placement
6	with a blood or an adoptive relative caretaker, the court shall order the
7	division of family and children to conduct a criminal history check (as
8	defined in IC 31-9-2-22.5) of each person who is:
9	(1) currently residing in the location designated as the
0	out-of-home placement; or
1	(2) in the reasonable belief of the division of family and children,
2	expected to be residing in the location designated as the
3	out-of-home placement during the time the child would be placed
4	in the location.
.5	(d) Except as provided in subsection (f), a court may not order an
6	out-of-home placement if a person described in subsection (c)(1) or
7	(c)(2) has:
8	(1) committed an act resulting in a substantiated report of child
9	abuse or neglect; or
20	(2) been convicted of a felony listed in IC 12-17.4-4-11 or had a
21	juvenile adjudication for an act that would be a felony listed in
22	IC 12-17.4-4-11 if committed by an adult.
23	(e) The court is not required to order the division of family and
24	children to conduct a criminal history check under subsection (c) if the
25	court orders an out-of-home placement to an entity or a facility that is
26	not a residence (as defined in IC 3-5-2-42.5) or that is licensed by the
27	state.
28	(f) A court may order an out-of-home placement if:
29	(1) a person described in subsection (c)(1) or (c)(2) has:
0	(A) committed an act resulting in a substantiated report of
1	child abuse or neglect; or
32	(B) been convicted or had a juvenile adjudication for:
33	(i) reckless homicide (IC 35-42-1-5);
4	(ii) battery (IC 35-42-2-1) as a Class C or D felony;
55	(iii) criminal confinement (IC 35-42-3-3) as a Class C or D
56	felony;
57	(iv) arson (IC 35-43-1-1) as a Class C or D felony;
8	(v) a felony involving a weapon under IC 35-47 or
19	IC 35-47.5 as a Class C or D felony;
10	(vi) a felony relating to controlled substances under
1 12	IC 35-48-4 as a Class C or D felony; or (vii) a felony that is substantially equivalent to a felony
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1	listed in items (i) through (vi) for which the conviction was	
2	entered in another state; and	
3	(2) the court makes a written finding that the person's commission	
4 5	of the offense, delinquent act, or act of abuse or neglect described	
6	in subdivision (1) is not relevant to the person's present ability to	
7	care for a child, and that the placement is in the best interest of the child.	
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9	However, a court may not order an out-of-home placement if the person has been convicted of a felony listed in IC 12-17.4-4-11 that is not	
10	specifically excluded under subdivision (1)(B), or has a juvenile	4
11	adjudication for an act that would be a felony listed in IC 12-17.4-4-11	
12	if committed by an adult that is not specifically excluded under	
13	subdivision (1)(B).	
14	(g) In making its written finding under subsection (f), the court shall	
15	consider the following:	
16	(1) The length of time since the person committed the offense,	4
17	delinquent act, or abuse or neglect.	
18	(2) The severity of the offense, delinquent act, or abuse or neglect.	
19	(3) Evidence of the person's rehabilitation, including the person's	
20	cooperation with a treatment plan, if applicable.	
21	SECTION 12. IC 31-34-18-6.1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS	_
22	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 6.1. (a) The	
23	predispositional report prepared by a probation officer or caseworker	
24	shall include the following information:	
25	(1) A description of all dispositional options considered in	
26	preparing the report.	
27	(2) An evaluation of each of the options considered in relation to	
28	the plan of care, treatment, rehabilitation, or placement	
29	recommended under the guidelines described in section 4 of this	
30	chapter.	
31	(3) The name, occupation and position, and any relationship to the	
32	child of each person with whom the preparer of the report	
33	conferred as provided in section 1.1 of this chapter.	
34	(b) If a probation officer or a caseworker is considering an	
35	out-of-home placement, including placement with a blood or an	
36	adoptive relative caretaker, the probation officer or caseworker shall	
37	conduct a criminal history check (as defined in IC 31-9-2-22.5) for	
38	each person who:	
39	(1) is currently residing in the location designated as the	
40	out-of-home placement; or	
41	(2) in the reasonable belief of the probation officer or caseworker,	
42	is expected to be residing in the location designated as the	



1	out-of-home placement during the time the child would be placed
2	in the location.
3	The results of the criminal history check must be included in the
4	predispositional report.
5	(c) A probation officer or caseworker is not required to conduct a
6	criminal history check under this section if:
7	(1) the probation officer or caseworker is considering only an
8	out-of-home placement to an entity or facility that:
9	(A) is not a residence (as defined in IC 3-5-2-42.5); or
0	(B) is licensed by the state; or
.1	(2) placement under this section is undetermined at the time the
.2	predispositional report is prepared.
.3	SECTION 13. IC 31-34-19-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
4	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 7. (a) Except as
.5	provided in subsection (d), a court may not enter a dispositional decree
6	under subsection (b) if a person who is:
.7	(1) currently residing in the location designated as the
. 8	out-of-home placement; or
9	(2) reasonably expected to be residing in the location designated
20	as the out-of-home placement during the time the child would be
21	placed in the location;
22	has committed an act resulting in a substantiated report of child abuse
23	or neglect, has a juvenile adjudication for an act that would be a felony
24	listed in IC 12-17.4-4-11 if committed by an adult, or has a conviction
25	for a felony listed in IC 12-17.4-4-11. If a criminal history check has
26	not been conducted before a dispositional decree is entered under this
27	section, the court shall order the probation officer or caseworker who
28	prepared the predispositional report to conduct a criminal history check
29	(as defined in IC 31-9-2-22.5) in the manner set forth in
0	IC 31-34-18-6.1.
31	(b) In addition to the factors under section 6 of this chapter, if the
32	court enters a dispositional decree regarding a child in need of services
3	that includes an out-of-home placement, the court shall consider
4	whether the child should be placed with the child's suitable and willing
55	blood or adoptive relative caretaker, including a grandparent, an aunt,
56	an uncle, or an adult sibling, before considering other out-of-home
57	placements for the child.
8	(c) The court is not required to order a probation officer or
9	caseworker to conduct a criminal history check under subsection (a) if

the court orders an out-of-home placement to an entity or a facility that

is not a residence (as defined in IC 3-5-2-42.5) or that is licensed by the



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1	(d) A court may enter a dispositional decree under subsection (b) if:
2	(1) a person described in subsection (a)(1) or (a)(2) has:
3	(A) committed an act resulting in a substantiated report of
4	child abuse or neglect; or
5	(B) been convicted or had a juvenile adjudication for:
6	(i) reckless homicide (IC 35-42-1-5);
7	(ii) battery (IC 35-42-2-1) as a Class C or D felony;
8	(iii) criminal confinement (IC 35-42-3-3) as a Class C or D
9	felony;
10	(iv) arson (IC 35-43-1-1) as a Class C or D felony;
11	(v) a felony involving a weapon under IC 35-47 or
12	IC 35-47.5 as a Class C or D felony;
13	(vi) a felony relating to controlled substances under
14	IC 35-48-4 as a Class C or D felony; or
15	(vii) a felony that is substantially equivalent to a felony
16	listed in items (i) through (vi) for which the conviction was
17	entered in another state; and
18	(2) the court makes a written finding that the person's commission
19	of the offense, delinquent act, or act of abuse or neglect described
20	in subdivision (1) is not relevant to the person's present ability to
21	care for a child, and the dispositional decree is in the best interest
22	of the child.
23	However, a court may not enter a dispositional decree if the person has
24	been convicted of a felony listed in IC 12-17.4-4-11 that is not
25	specifically excluded under subdivision (1)(B), or has a juvenile
26	adjudication for an act that would be a felony listed in IC 12-17.4-4-11
27	if committed by an adult that is not specifically excluded under
28	subdivision (1)(B).
29	(e) In making its written finding under subsection (d), the court shall
30	consider the following:
31	(1) The length of time since the person committed the offense,
32	delinquent act, or act that resulted in the conviction, adjudication,
33	or substantiated report of abuse or neglect.
34	(2) The severity of the offense, delinquent act, or abuse or neglect.
35	(3) Evidence of the person's rehabilitation, including the person's
36	cooperation with a treatment plan, if applicable.
37	SECTION 14. IC 31-34-20-1.5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
38	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 1.5. (a) Except as
39	provided in subsection (c), (d), the juvenile court may not enter a
40	dispositional decree placing a child in another home under section 1(3)
41	of this chapter or awarding wardship to a county office of family and
42	children that will place the child with a person under section 1(4) of



1	this chapter if a person who is:
2	(1) currently residing in the home in which the child would be
3	placed under section 1(3) or 1(4) of this chapter; or
4	(2) reasonably expected to be residing in the home in which the
5	child would be placed under section 1(3) or 1(4) of this chapter
6	during the time the child would be placed in the home;
7	has committed an act resulting in a substantiated report of child abuse
8	or neglect, has a juvenile adjudication for an act that would be a felony
9	listed in IC 12-17.4-4-11 if committed by an adult, or has a conviction
10	for a felony listed in IC 12-17.4-4-11.
11	(b) The juvenile court shall order the probation officer or
12	caseworker who prepared the predispositional report to conduct a
13	criminal history check (as defined in IC 31-9-2-22.5) to determine if
14	a person described in subsection (a)(1) or (a)(2) has committed an act
15	resulting in a substantiated report of child abuse or neglect has a
16	juvenile adjudication for an act that would be a felony listed in
17	IC 12-17.4-4-11 if committed by an adult, or has a conviction for a
18	felony listed in IC 12-17.4-4-11. However, the juvenile court is not
19	required to order a criminal history check under this section if criminal
20	history information under IC 31-34-4-2, IC 31-34-18-6.1, or
21	IC 31-34-19-7 establishes whether a person described in subsection
22	(a)(1) or (a)(2) has committed an act resulting in a substantiated report
23	of child abuse or neglect, has a juvenile adjudication for an act that
24	would be a felony listed in IC 12-17.4-4-11 if committed by an adult,
25	or has a conviction for a felony listed in IC 12-17.4-4-11.
26	(c) The court is not required to order a probation officer or
27	caseworker to conduct a criminal history check under subsection
28	(b) if the court orders an out-of-home placement to an entity or a
29	facility that is not a residence (as defined in IC 3-5-2-42.5) or that
30	is licensed by the state.
31	(c) (d) A court may enter a dispositional decree placing a child in
32	another home or award wardship to a county office of family and
33	children if:
34	(1) a person described in subsection (a)(1) or (a)(2) has:
35	(A) committed an act resulting in a substantiated report of
36	child abuse or neglect; or
37	(B) been convicted or had a juvenile adjudication for:
38	(i) reckless homicide (IC 35-42-1-5);
39	(ii) battery (IC 35-42-2-1) as a Class C or D felony;
40	(iii) criminal confinement (IC 35-42-3-3) as a Class C or D
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1	(v) a felony involving a weapon under IC 35-47 or	
2	IC 35-47.5 as a Class C or D felony;	
3	(vi) a felony relating to controlled substances under	
4	IC 35-48-4 as a Class C or D felony; or	
5	(vii) a felony that is substantially equivalent to a felony	
6	listed in items (i) through (vi) for which the conviction was	
7	entered in another state; and	
8	(2) the court makes a written finding that the person's commission	
9	of the offense, delinquent act, or act of abuse or neglect described	
10	in subdivision (1) is not relevant to the person's present ability to	
11	care for a child, and that the dispositional decree placing a child	
12	in another home or awarding wardship to a county office of family	
13	and children is in the best interest of the child.	
14	However, a court may not enter a dispositional decree placing a child	
15	in another home or award wardship to a county office of family and	
16	children if the person has been convicted of a felony listed in	
17	IC 12-17.4-4-11 that is not specifically excluded under subdivision	
18	(1)(B), or has a juvenile adjudication for an act that would be a felony	
19	listed in IC 12-17.4-4-11 if committed by an adult that is not	
20	specifically excluded under subdivision (1)(B).	
21	(d) (e) In making its written finding under subsection (c), (d), the	
22	court shall consider the following:	
23	(1) The length of time since the person committed the offense,	
24	delinquent act, or act that resulted in the substantiated report of	
25	abuse or neglect.	
26	(2) The severity of the offense, delinquent act, or abuse or neglect.	
27	(3) Evidence of the person's rehabilitation, including the person's	
28	cooperation with a treatment plan, if applicable.	
29	SECTION 15. IC 31-34-21-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS	
30	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 5. (a) The court shall	
31	determine:	
32	(1) whether the child's case plan, services, and placement meet	
33	the special needs and best interests of the child;	
34	(2) whether the county office of family and children has made	
35	reasonable efforts to provide family services; and	
36	(3) a projected date for the child's return home, the child's	
37	adoption placement, the child's emancipation, or the appointment	
38	of a legal guardian for the child under section $\frac{7.5(1)(E)}{E}$	
39	7.5(d)(1)(E) of this chapter.	
40	(b) The determination of the court under subsection (a) must be	
41	based on findings written after consideration of the following:	
42	(1) Whether the county office of family and children, the child, or	



1	the child's parent, guardian, or custodian has complied with the
2	child's case plan.
3	(2) Written documentation containing descriptions of:
4	(A) the family services that have been offered or provided to
5	the child or the child's parent, guardian, or custodian;
6	(B) the dates during which the family services were offered or
7	provided; and
8	(C) the outcome arising from offering or providing the family
9	services.
10	(3) The extent of the efforts made by the county office of family
11	and children to offer and provide family services.
12	(4) The extent to which the parent, guardian, or custodian has
13	enhanced the ability to fulfill parental obligations.
14	(5) The extent to which the parent, guardian, or custodian has
15	visited the child, including the reasons for infrequent visitation.
16	(6) The extent to which the parent, guardian, or custodian has
17	cooperated with the county office of family and children or
18	probation department.
19	(7) The child's recovery from any injuries suffered before
20	removal.
21	(8) Whether any additional services are required for the child or
22	the child's parent, guardian, or custodian and, if so, the nature of
23	those services.
24	(9) The extent to which the child has been rehabilitated.
25	(10) If the child is placed out-of-home, whether the child is in the
26	least restrictive, most family-like setting, and whether the child is
27	placed close to the home of the child's parent, guardian, or
28	custodian.
29	(11) The extent to which the causes for the child's out-of-home
30	placement or supervision have been alleviated.
31	(12) Whether current placement or supervision by the county
32	office of family and children should be continued.
33	(13) The extent to which the child's parent, guardian, or custodian
34	has participated or has been given the opportunity to participate
35	in case planning, periodic case reviews, dispositional reviews,
36	placement of the child, and visitation.
37	(14) Whether the county office of family and children has made
38	reasonable efforts to reunify or preserve a child's family unless
39	reasonable efforts are not required under section 5.6 of this
40	chapter.
41	(15) Whether it is an appropriate time to prepare or implement a
42	permanency plan for the child under section 7.5 of this chapter.



1	SECTION 16. IC 31-34-21-7.5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
2	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 7.5. (a) Except as
3	provided in subsection (d), (e), the juvenile court may not approve a
4	permanency plan under subsection $\frac{(c)(1)(D)}{(d)(1)(D)}$ or $\frac{(c)(1)(E)}{(c)(1)(E)}$
5	(d)(1)(E) if a person who is:
6	(1) currently residing with a person described in subsection
7	$\frac{(c)(1)(D)}{(d)(1)(D)}$ or $\frac{(c)(1)(E)}{(d)(1)(E)}$; or
8	(2) reasonably expected to be residing with a person described in
9	subsection $\frac{(c)(1)(D)}{(d)(1)(D)}$ or $\frac{(c)(1)(E)}{(d)(1)(E)}$ during the
10	time the child would be placed in the location;
11	has committed an act resulting in a substantiated report of child abuse
12	or neglect, has a juvenile adjudication for an act that would be a felony
13	listed in IC 12-17.4-4-11 if committed by an adult, or has a conviction
14	for a felony listed in IC 12-17.4-4-11.
15	(b) The juvenile court shall order the probation officer or
16	caseworker who prepared the predispositional report to conduct a
17	criminal history check (as defined in IC 31-9-2-22.5) to determine if
18	a person described in subsection (a)(1) or (a)(2) has committed an act
19	resulting in a substantiated report of child abuse or neglect, has a
20	juvenile adjudication for an act that would be a felony listed in
21	IC 12-17.4-4-11 if committed by an adult, or has a conviction for a
22	felony listed in IC 12-17.4-4-11. However, the juvenile court is not
23	required to order a criminal history check under this section if criminal
24	history information under IC 31-34-4-2, IC 31-34-18-6.1,
25	IC 31-34-19-7, or IC 31-34-20-1.5 establishes whether a person
26	described in subsection (a)(1) or (a)(2) has committed an act resulting
27	in a substantiated report of child abuse or neglect, has a juvenile
28	adjudication for an act that would be a felony listed in IC 12-17.4-4-11
29	if committed by an adult, or has a conviction for a felony listed in
30	IC 12-17.4-4-11.
31	(c) The court is not required to order a probation officer or
32	caseworker to conduct a criminal history check under subsection
33	(b) if the court orders an out-of-home placement to an entity or a
34	facility that is not a residence (as defined in IC 3-5-2-42.5) or that
35	is licensed by the state.
36	(c) (d) A permanency plan under this chapter includes the
37	following:
38	(1) The intended permanent or long term arrangements for care
39	and custody of the child that may include any of the following

arrangements that the court considers most appropriate and

(A) Return to or continuation of existing custodial care within

consistent with the best interests of the child:



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1	the home of the child's parent, guardian, or custodian or	
2	placement of the child with the child's noncustodial parent.	
3	(B) Initiation of a proceeding by the agency or appropriate	
4	person for termination of the parent-child relationship under	
5	IC 31-35.	
6	(C) Placement of the child for adoption.	
7	(D) Placement of the child with a responsible person,	
8	including:	
9	(i) an adult sibling;	
10	(ii) a grandparent;	
11	(iii) an aunt;	
12	(iv) an uncle; or	
13	(v) another relative;	
14	who is able and willing to act as the child's permanent	
15	custodian and carry out the responsibilities required by the	
16	permanency plan.	
17	(E) Appointment of a legal guardian. The legal guardian	
18	appointed under this section is a caretaker in a judicially	
19	created relationship between the child and caretaker that is	
20	intended to be permanent and self-sustaining as evidenced by	
21	the transfer to the caretaker of the following parental rights	E4
22	with respect to the child:	
23	(i) Care, custody, and control of the child.	
24	(ii) Decision making concerning the child's upbringing.	
25	(F) Placement of the child in another planned, permanent	
26	living arrangement.	_
27	(2) A time schedule for implementing the applicable provisions	
28	of the permanency plan.	
29	(3) Provisions for temporary or interim arrangements for care and	
30	custody of the child, pending completion of implementation of the	
31	permanency plan.	
32	(4) Other items required to be included in a case plan under	
33	IC 31-34-15 or federal law, consistent with the permanent or long	
34	term arrangements described by the permanency plan.	
35	(d) (e) A juvenile court may approve a permanency plan if:	
36	(1) a person described in subsection (a)(1) or (a)(2) has:	
37	(A) committed an act resulting in a substantiated report of	
38	child abuse or neglect; or	
39	(B) been convicted or had a juvenile adjudication for:	
40	(i) reckless homicide (IC 35-42-1-5);	
41	(ii) battery (IC 35-42-2-1) as a Class C or D felony;	
42	(iii) criminal confinement (IC 35-42-3-3) as a Class C or D	



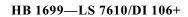
1	felony;
2	(iv) arson (IC 35-43-1-1) as a Class C or D felony;
3	(v) a felony involving a weapon under IC 35-47 or
4	IC 35-47.5 as a Class C or D felony;
5	(vi) a felony relating to controlled substances under
6	IC 35-48-4 as a Class C or D felony; or
7	(vii) a felony that is substantially equivalent to a felony
8	listed in items (i) through (vi) for which the conviction was
9	entered in another state; and
0	(2) the court makes a written finding that the person's commission
.1	of the offense, delinquent act, or act of abuse or neglect described
2	in subdivision (1) is not relevant to the person's present ability to
.3	care for a child, and that approval of the permanency plan is in the
4	best interest of the child.
.5	However, a court may not approve a permanency plan if the person has
6	been convicted of a felony listed in IC 12-17.4-4-11 that is not
7	specifically excluded under subdivision (1)(B), or has a juvenile
8	adjudication for an act that would be a felony listed in IC 12-17.4-4-11
9	if committed by an adult that is not specifically excluded under
20	subdivision (1)(B).
21	(e) (f) In making its written finding under subsection (d), (e), the
22	court shall consider the following:
23	(1) The length of time since the person committed the offense,
24	delinquent act, or act that resulted in the substantiated report of
25	abuse or neglect.
26	(2) The severity of the offense, delinquent act, or abuse or neglect.
27	(3) Evidence of the person's rehabilitation, including the person's
28	cooperation with a treatment plan, if applicable.
29	SECTION 17. IC 31-37-17-6.1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
0	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 6.1. (a) The
31	predispositional report prepared by a probation officer or caseworker
32	shall include the following information:
3	(1) A description of all dispositional options considered in
4	preparing the report.
55	(2) An evaluation of each of the options considered in relation to
6	the plan of care, treatment, rehabilitation, or placement
57	recommended under the guidelines described in section 4 of this
8	chapter.
19	(3) The name, occupation and position, and any relationship to the
10	child of each person with whom the preparer of the report
1	conferred as provided in section 1.1 of this chapter.
12	(h) If a probation officer or a caseworker is considering an



1	out-of-home placement, including placement with a blood or an
2	adoptive relative caretaker, the probation officer or caseworker must
3	conduct a criminal history check (as defined in IC 31-9-2-22.5) for
4	each person who:
5	(1) is currently residing in the location designated as the
6	out-of-home placement; or
7	(2) in the reasonable belief of the probation officer or caseworker,
8	is expected to be residing in the location designated as the
9	out-of-home placement during the time the child would be placed
10	in the location.
11	The results of the criminal history check must be included in the
12	predispositional report.
13	(c) A probation officer or caseworker is not required to conduct a
14	criminal history check under this section if:
15	(1) the probation officer or caseworker is considering only an
16	out-of-home placement to an entity or a facility that:
17	(A) is not a residence (as defined in IC 3-5-2-42.5); or
18	(B) is licensed by the state; or
19	(2) placement under this section is undetermined at the time the
20	predispositional report is prepared.
21	SECTION 18. IC 31-37-19-6.5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
22	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 6.5. (a) Except as
23	provided in subsection (c), (d), the juvenile court may not enter a
24	dispositional decree placing a child in another home under section 1(3)
25	or 6(b)(2)(D) of this chapter or awarding wardship to the county office
26	of family and children that results in a placement with a person under
27	section $1(4)$ or $6(b)(2)(E)$ of this chapter if a person who is:
28	(1) currently residing in the home in which the child would be
29	placed under section $1(3)$, $1(4)$, $6(b)(2)(D)$, or $6(b)(2)(E)$ of this
30	chapter; or
31	(2) reasonably expected to be residing in the home in which the
32	child would be placed under section 1(3), 1(4), 6(b)(2)(D), or
33	6(b)(2)(E) of this chapter during the time the child would be
34	placed in the home;
35	has committed an act resulting in a substantiated report of child abuse
36	or neglect, has a juvenile adjudication for an act that would be a felony
37	listed in IC 12-17.4-4-11 if committed by an adult, or has a conviction
38	for a felony listed in IC 12-17.4-4-11.
39	(b) The juvenile court shall order the probation officer or
40	caseworker who prepared the predispositional report to conduct a
41	criminal history check (as defined in IC 31-9-2-22.5) to determine if

a person described in subsection (a)(1) or (a)(2) has committed an act

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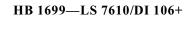




1	resulting in a substantiated report of child abuse or neglect, has a
2	juvenile adjudication for an act that would be a felony listed in
3	IC 12-17.4-4-11 if committed by an adult, or has a conviction for a
4	felony listed in IC 12-17.4-4-11. However, the juvenile court is not
5	required to order a criminal history check under this section if criminal
6	history information under IC 31-37-17-6.1 establishes whether a person
7	described in subsection (a)(1) or (a)(2) has committed an act resulting
8	in a substantiated report of child abuse or neglect, has a juvenile
9	adjudication for an act that would be a felony listed in IC 12-17.4-4-11
10	if committed by an adult, or has a conviction for a felony listed in
11	IC 12-17.4-4-11.
12	(c) The court is not required to order a probation officer or
13	caseworker to conduct a criminal history check under subsection
14	(b) if the court orders an out-of-home placement to an entity or a
15	facility that is not a residence (as defined in IC 3-5-2-42.5) or that
16	is licensed by the state.
17	(c) (d) The juvenile court may enter a dispositional decree placing
18	a child in another home under section 1(3) or 6(b)(2)(D) of this chapter
19	or awarding wardship to the county office of family and children that
20	results in a placement with a person under section 1(4) or 6(b)(2)(E) of
21	this chapter if:
22	(1) a person described in subsection (a)(1) or (a)(2) has:
23	(A) committed an act resulting in a substantiated report of
24	child abuse or neglect; or
25	(B) been convicted or had a juvenile adjudication for:
26	(i) reckless homicide (IC 35-42-1-5);
27	(ii) battery (IC 35-42-2-1) as a Class C or D felony;
28	(iii) criminal confinement (IC 35-42-3-3) as a Class C or D
29	felony;
30	(iv) arson (IC 35-43-1-1) as a Class C or D felony;
31	(v) a felony involving a weapon under IC 35-47 or
32	IC 35-47.5 as a Class C or D felony;
33	(vi) a felony relating to controlled substances under
34	IC 35-48-4 as a Class C or D felony; or
35	(vii) a felony that is substantially equivalent to a felony
36	listed in items (i) through (vi) for which the conviction was
37	entered in another state; and
38	(2) the court makes a written finding that the person's commission
39	of the offense, delinquent act, or act of abuse or neglect described
40	in subdivision (1) is not relevant to the person's present ability to
41	care for a child, and that entry of a dispositional decree placing

the child in another home is in the best interest of the child.







1	However, a court may not enter a dispositional decree placing a child	
2	in another home under section 1(3) or 6(b)(2)(D) of this chapter or	
3	awarding wardship to the county office of family and children if the	
4	person has been convicted of a felony listed in IC 12-17.4-4-11 that is	
5	not specifically excluded under subdivision (1)(B), or has a juvenile	
6	adjudication for an act that would be a felony listed in IC 12-17.4-4-11	
7	if committed by an adult that is not specifically excluded under	
8	subdivision (1)(B).	
9	(d) (e) In making its written finding under subsection (c), (d), the	
10	court shall consider the following:	
11	(1) The length of time since the person committed the offense,	
12	delinquent act, or act that resulted in the substantiated report of	
13	abuse or neglect.	
14	(2) The severity of the offense, delinquent act, or abuse or neglect.	
15	(3) Evidence of the person's rehabilitation, including the person's	_
16	cooperation with a treatment plan, if applicable.	
17	SECTION 19. IC 31-39-2-13.5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS	U
18	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 13.5. The records of the	
19	juvenile court are available without a court order to an employee of the	
20	division of family and children, a caseworker, or a juvenile probation	
21	officer conducting a criminal history check (as defined in	
22	IC 31-9-2-22.5) under IC 12-14-25.5-3, IC 31-34, or IC 31-37 to	
23	determine the appropriateness of an out-of-home placement for a:	
24	(1) child at imminent risk of placement;	_
25	(2) child in need of services; or	
26	(3) delinquent child.	
27	SECTION 20. IC 31-9-2-29.7 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY	
28	1, 2005].	V



COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Family, Children and Human Affairs, to which was referred House Bill 1699, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

Page 9, line 2, delete "(a)," and insert "(a) concerning a child,".

Page 9, line 4, strike "the record" and insert "all records concerning the child that are held by the entity".

Page 13, line 38, strike "(c)," and insert "(d),".

Page 14, between lines 24 and 25, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"(c) The court is not required to order a probation officer or caseworker to conduct a criminal history check under subsection (b) if the court orders an out-of-home placement to an entity or a facility that is not a residence (as defined in IC 3-5-2-42.5) or that is licensed by the state."

Page 14, line 25, strike "(c)" and insert "(d)".

Page 15, line 15, strike "(d)" and insert "(e)".

Page 15, line 15, strike "(c)," and insert "(d),".

Page 15, between lines 22 and 23, begin a new paragraph and insert: "SECTION 15. IC 31-34-21-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 5. (a) The court shall determine:

- (1) whether the child's case plan, services, and placement meet the special needs and best interests of the child;
- (2) whether the county office of family and children has made reasonable efforts to provide family services; and
- (3) a projected date for the child's return home, the child's adoption placement, the child's emancipation, or the appointment of a legal guardian for the child under section 7.5(1)(E) 7.5(d)(1)(E) of this chapter.
- (b) The determination of the court under subsection (a) must be based on findings written after consideration of the following:
 - (1) Whether the county office of family and children, the child, or the child's parent, guardian, or custodian has complied with the child's case plan.
 - (2) Written documentation containing descriptions of:
 - (A) the family services that have been offered or provided to the child or the child's parent, guardian, or custodian;
 - (B) the dates during which the family services were offered or provided; and
 - (C) the outcome arising from offering or providing the family services.

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- (3) The extent of the efforts made by the county office of family and children to offer and provide family services.
- (4) The extent to which the parent, guardian, or custodian has enhanced the ability to fulfill parental obligations.
- (5) The extent to which the parent, guardian, or custodian has visited the child, including the reasons for infrequent visitation.
- (6) The extent to which the parent, guardian, or custodian has cooperated with the county office of family and children or probation department.
- (7) The child's recovery from any injuries suffered before removal.
- (8) Whether any additional services are required for the child or the child's parent, guardian, or custodian and, if so, the nature of those services.
- (9) The extent to which the child has been rehabilitated.
- (10) If the child is placed out-of-home, whether the child is in the least restrictive, most family-like setting, and whether the child is placed close to the home of the child's parent, guardian, or custodian.
- (11) The extent to which the causes for the child's out-of-home placement or supervision have been alleviated.
- (12) Whether current placement or supervision by the county office of family and children should be continued.
- (13) The extent to which the child's parent, guardian, or custodian has participated or has been given the opportunity to participate in case planning, periodic case reviews, dispositional reviews, placement of the child, and visitation.
- (14) Whether the county office of family and children has made reasonable efforts to reunify or preserve a child's family unless reasonable efforts are not required under section 5.6 of this chapter.
- (15) Whether it is an appropriate time to prepare or implement a permanency plan for the child under section 7.5 of this chapter.".

Page 15, line 25, strike "(d)," and insert "(e),".

Page 15, line 26, strike "(c)(1)(D)" and insert "(d)(1)(D)".

Page 15, line 26, strike "(c)(1)(E)" and insert "(d)(1)(E)".

Page 15, line 29, strike "(c)(1)(D)" and insert "(d)(1)(D)".

Page 15, line 29, strike "(c)(1)(E);" and insert "(d)(1)(E);".

Page 15, line 31, strike "(c)(1)(D)" and insert "(d)(1)(D)".

Page 15, line 31, strike "(c)(1)(E)" and insert "(d)(1)(E)".

Page 16, between lines 10 and 11, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"(c) The court is not required to order a probation officer or











caseworker to conduct a criminal history check under subsection (b) if the court orders an out-of-home placement to an entity or a facility that is not a residence (as defined in IC 3-5-2-42.5) or that is licensed by the state.".

Page 16, line 11, strike "(c)" and insert "(d)".

Page 17, line 9, strike "(d)" and insert "(e)".

Page 17, line 37, strike "(e)" and insert "(f)".

Page 17, line 37, strike "(d)," and insert "(e),".

Page 18, line 39, strike "(c)," and insert "(d),".

Page 19, between lines 27 and 28, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"(c) The court is not required to order a probation officer or caseworker to conduct a criminal history check under subsection (b) if the court orders an out-of-home placement to an entity or a facility that is not a residence (as defined in IC 3-5-2-42.5) or that is licensed by the state.".

Page 19, line 28, strike "(c)" and insert "(d)".

Page 20, line 20, strike "(d)" and insert "(e)".

Page 20, line 20, strike "(c)," and insert "(d),".

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1699 as introduced.)

BUDAK, Chair

Committee Vote: yeas 7, nays 0.

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